

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
FEBRUARY 17, 1954

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:00 o'clock p.m. of Wednesday, February 17, 1954; Councilmen Preszler, Hillman, Robinson and Richey (Mayor) present; Rinn absent.

Action on the minutes of the previous meeting, February 3, 1954, was deferred until the next regular meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

JOINT MEETING WITH RECREATION COMMISSION	Mr. Weller reported that the minutes of the last meeting of the Recreation Commission indicated that the Recreation Commission had designated their meeting of March 1, 1954, as a suitable time for a joint meeting with the City Council. The Council agreed that the March 1 date would be satisfactory.
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REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

ALLEY VACATION SALEM SCHOOL GROUNDS	The City Manager reported that the City Engineer was still corresponding with Mr. Olwell and representatives of the Safeway Company regarding the relocation of the utility lines lying in the alley in Block 36 (Salem School Grounds) of the City of Lodi. On the motion of Councilman Preszler, Robinson second, the Council voted to continue the action on Ordinance No. 507, declaring its intention to vacate said alley, to the next meeting.
BUS LINES	Mr. Weller reported that letters had been directed to the Greyhound Lines and the Gibson Lines regarding the intra-city bus service in Lodi; however, replies had not been received as yet.
AYERS PROPERTY	Mr. Weller reported that the purchase of the property at Ham Lane and Lake Street from Melber Ayers had been completed.
S.P.CO. PARKING LEASE	Mr. Weller reported that he had not received the lease from the Southern Pacific Company for the Sacramento Street lot. He explained that the layouts of the proposed parking lot were ready for the Council's consideration.
LEASE EMPLOYMENT OFFICE BLDG. EXTENDED ONE YEAR	The City Manager reported that he had received a communication from the State of California regarding the renewal of the lease for the building at the corner of Stockton Street and Locust Street by the State Employment Office. The letter related that since a portion of the Employment Office's funds come from the Federal Government, it must comply with the policies of the Federal Government. The Federal Government's policy regarding leases from other public agencies is to pay only the costs of maintenance and operations of the building once the costs of the building have been amortized. It was pointed out in the letter that the present rental of \$225 per month for the City property includes amortization which will be complete in three or four years. The Government requested assurance that the rent will drop to the costs of maintenance and

operation after amortization. Mr. Weller pointed out that it would be difficult to give such assurance so far in advance, bearing in mind the fact that the City may need the facilities for its own operations in the future. He also pointed out that there is the moral question of whether the Council should commit a future Council on the matter. Mr. Weller suggested that the City sign a one-year extension of the present lease at this time. On the motion of Councilman Robinson, Hillman second, the Council adopted Resolution No. 1804, authorizing the Mayor to sign a one-year extension to the present contract with the State.

CLAIMS

Claims in the amount of \$120,119.78 were approved on the motion of Councilman Preszler, Hillman second.

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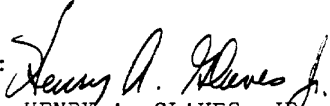
Councilman Robinson reported that the last meeting of the Planning Commission the City Engineer raised the question of the right of way and paving width of West Elm Street west of Ham Lane. The present right of way width of the western portion of the street is 80 feet with a paving width of 60 feet. Councilman Robinson stated that Mr. Wise, the Planning Consultant, question the advisability of having a second arterial so close to Lockeford Street. The Planning Commission generally felt that the 80-foot width should be maintained west of Ham Lane. The City Council then agreed that the 80-foot width should be maintained west of Ham Lane and that the street should be paved to the ultimate width.

EXTRA WIDTH
STREETS

City Attorney Mullen introduced a discussion of the Council's policy regarding extra width streets. The established policy is that the abutting property owners dedicate the entire width of the street and pay the cost of pavement for the regulation street width with the City paying for the extra width pavement. The Council recognized the exception to this policy in the Handel and Fairmont Park subdivisions; however, it agreed to reaffirm its policy notwithstanding the two exceptions.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. on the motion of Councilman Preszler.

ATTEST:


HENRY A. GLAVES, JR.
City Clerk